

# The Alma Record

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## PICNIC AT BASS LAKE

Messrs. Bahlke, Rhodes, and King  
Played In Baseball Nine

Rock Lake was the scene of a picnic given by over twenty Alma people last Tuesday afternoon. About 3 o'clock four autos left Alma for the Montcalm county summer resort. Those who went were Mr. and Mrs. King, Misses Betty and Fanny King, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Bahlke, Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Rhodes and Miss Esther, Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Gardner and Miss Lucile, Mr. L. A. Sharp, Mr. Lester Sharp and Miss Velma Sharp, Professor and Mrs. Ellsworth and Miss Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wilcox and Mr. Bascom, Miss Ruth and Mr. Sidney Cook.

After a delightful lunch had been served on the shore of the lake, a ball and bat were produced and the men indulged in the national pastime.

This baseball game was played very much as a regular baseball game is played—a bat and ball being used. Dr. Gardner pitched the first inning, showing words of speed and an assortment of curves not often found on major league diamonds. A tendency to "bean" the opposing batters had a striking effect on them and augmented his effectiveness. Prof. Ellsworth opened the festivities with a terrific hit into a nearby pine grove and was followed by Senator King who drove a liner beyond the reach of William Bahlke, who made a glorious effort to halt its progress. The Senator pulled up at third, after a great sprint. A bad "bonehead" on the part of third baseman Charles Rhodes nearly left the 25th district without a representative in the Michigan Senate. While carrying on a modest flirtation with the bleacherites, he failed to catch a quick throw from pitcher Gardner to catch the baserunner napping, and allowed the ball to spite the legislator on the head. The throw made a strong impression on the base runner, but he easily scored when the ball rebounded into the lake.

Mr. Bahlke, who boasts a southpaw delivery, succeeded the doctor who was altogether too effective. Though hit

rather freely the big left hander tightened up in pinches and pitched over two or three good strikes. A neat double play with Prof. Ellsworth, Mr. Rhodes and Mr. King in the limelight cut off a budding rally in this inning. One of the features of this inning was the hitting of Mr. L. A. Sharp and son Lester, who garnered five home runs between them, and stole an equal number of bases, showing more than a working knowledge of the "Hook slide". Mr. Rhodes saved his pitcher and catcher lots of trouble by transferring the bases when the baserunners were too bold.

About the fifth or sixth innings (or perhaps it was the ninth), Mr. Bahlke broke up the game with a beautiful hit which escaped the bounds of Seville township, doing a "Lincoln Beachey" over the pine tree tops. The picnickers returned about nine o'clock.

## PTOMAIN POISONING

Mrs. Burton Gee And Five Children  
Sufferers

Puffed Wheat is thought to have been the cause of ptomaine poisoning, when the family of Burt Gee, living in Sumner township, suffered a visitation of this dangerous malady. About two hours and a half after the members of the family, with the exception of Mr. Gee and the hired girl, had eaten their breakfast, they were taken violently ill. The hired man who had eaten his breakfast first, was the first one to suffer the effects of the poison. After working for a short time he went to the barn in great agony, and was so helpless with cramped muscles that he was carried to the house. Medical aid was immediately summoned and Dr. Graham of Sumner was seen alleviating the pain. Quick work on the part of the Dr. alone saved the young man's life. By that time the five children of the family and Mrs. Gee were also violently ill. With seven patients on his hands, the doctor spent a busy six hours, but his work saved their lives.

The members of the family had eaten their breakfast at varying intervals and there was an interim of about two and a half hours in each case before the effects of the poison were felt.

The fact that two or three who did not eat any puffed wheat were unaffected, seems to bear out the general belief that puffed wheat was the cause of the ptomaine poisoning. All the

other foods had been freshly cooked. Samples of the food will be sent to either the State Board of Health or the University of Michigan chemists to identify, if possible the source of the trouble. All the patients have fully recovered.

## KILLED IN RUNAWAY

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tal and in plain sight of a score of people. The remains were taken to the undertaking rooms of J. L. Barden, where they remained until Sunday morning when they were removed to the late residence of Mr. Walter, and the funeral was held that afternoon.

This is one of the most appalling things which has ever occurred at Ithaca. The face was cut and all the bones of the head and face crushed, the entire back of the head flattened, and parts were picked up sixteen feet from the body.

Frank A. Walter, son of Edwin and Anna (Sweetland) Walter, was born June 26, 1866, in North Star township and lived there until the time of his marriage to Miss Elma Shireley, Aug. 15, 1886. He died July 17, 1914, aged 48 years and 21 days, leaving a heart-broken widow and one son, Clyde; five brothers, Will, of Hamilton township, Sheldon and Lefe of Barryton; Ed. of Washington township, and Guy, of Loomis, Mich.; also one sister, Mrs. Rose Peters, of Pompeii. Others who came from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bartram of Lansing, the latter being a niece of the deceased, Samuel Foster and wife of Pompeii, Mrs. Foster also being a niece; Will Norris, a cousin, of Bowling Green, O.; Mrs. Emma Abbott, an aunt, of Detroit, and Frank Conger, of Barryton.

Loving neighbors and relatives of Mrs. Walter were with her during the severe trial and all that kindly friends could do was done to comfort her and their son, Clyde, who had been summoned at once from Lansing, where he was employed as assistant time-keeper at the Reo Motor Works. Rev. Birdsell of Ashley conducted the funeral service, which was held Sunday afternoon, July 19th, at the Sowers M. E. church, interment being made at North Star cemetery.

Mr. Walter was very well and favorably known, and highly regarded. He had lived in Gratiot County his entire lifetime, and more than five hundred friends attended the last sad rites, at which there were an abundance of floral tributes.

## FOR COUNTY CLERK.



My many years' service on the Board of Supervisors have left me with an experience and knowledge of the County's business which should be of value to the people of the County, as well as myself.

If nominated and elected I will give the same care and attention to the business of the public as I would to my own.

I ask your support.  
Political adv. B. L. CASE.

## Sumner News Items

Dr. Graham spent a few days in Saginaw last week.

Mr. Strouse and Mr. Barstow of Ithaca, were Sumner callers Monday.

Miss Ruby Cleverdon of Belding, is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Ferris.

John Lang of Alma, is spending the week with his parents, Wm. Lang and wife.

Thomas Nickerson and wife of Crystal, Sundayed with Jos. Stevens and wife.

Judson Hicks of Ferris, is spending the week with his grandparents, Philip Hicks and wife.

Will Hicks and family of Alma, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Hicks.

Mrs. Hattie Monks and Mrs. S. Cleverdon, were Sunday visitors at Chas. Ostrander's home.

Jared Scott and wife and grandson of Oregon, are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. Hulda Mangus.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Boothe and Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tucker, spent a few hours at Crystal Lake Sunday.

Mrs. Ada Nickerson and daughters of Remus, are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Stevens.

Francis Roe, Alvin Stevens and son Chalmers, returned to their home in Chagrin Falls, Monday, after spending a week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens.

## ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

TO RENT—Arcade Cafe nearly furnished. Board of one man and \$10.00 per month pays rent.

WANTED—A cook. By the Indian School Club. Duties—To cook for from 20 to 25 members, have charge of the kitchen, kitchen utensils, and cellar, baking bread and pastry. Wages \$1.00 per day. Age and references wanted. Indian School Club, Mt. Pleasant, Mich.

FOR SALE—A good work horse. Inquire of F. L. McConkey, 523 Gratiot Ave. 184612

WANTED—Dresmaking, by Mrs. E. Walker. Residence over Schick's Feed Barn.

FOR RENT—Rooms with all modern conveniences. 527 Woodworth Ave.

BOARD and ROOM at 718 Pine Avenue 183181

FOR SALE—Eleven Pigs, with the mother. 818 Pine Ave.

FOR SALE—One lot of miscellaneous household goods including furniture, range and other articles. George H. Peery, 446 State St.

## ALMA MARKETS.

The following market reports are corrected every Thursday morning:

Oats.....	38
Wheat.....	86c
Shelled corn.....	70c
Ear Corn.....	\$1.00
White Beans.....	\$1.75
Red Kidney Beans.....	\$2.40
Rye.....	54c
Barley.....	per cwt. \$1.10
Buckwheat.....	\$1.10
Hay, No. 1 Timothy.....	\$12.00
Hay, No. 2 Timothy.....	\$11.00
Hay, No. 1 Mixed.....	\$10.00
Hay, Clover.....	10.50
Clover seed.....	\$7.25 to 7.50
Straw.....	\$4.50 to \$5.50
Timothy.....	\$2.50

### LIVE STOCK

Pigs.....	per cwt. \$8.40
Heavy Hogs.....	per cwt. \$8.75
Beef Cattle.....	per cwt. \$4.00 to \$4.50
Fat Sheep, per cwt.....	\$4.00 to \$4.50
Veal Calves.....	\$7.50 to 8.50

### DRESSED MEATS

Light Hogs.....	per cwt. \$11.00
Heavy Hogs.....	10.00
Veal Calves.....	per pound 12c

### POULTRY, HIDES, ETC.

Hens.....	11c
Spring Chickens.....	per pound 16c
Beef Hides.....	per pound 10c
Horse Hides.....	\$2 to \$3.00
Deacon Skins.....	25c
Calf Skins.....	per pound 10c
Tallow.....	per pound 5c

### PRODUCE

Butter.....	per pound 21c
Eggs.....	per dozen 18c

Mrs. Henry Brewbaker and W. S. Turck are at Hancock the guests of their sister Mrs. Joyce. On the return trip the ladies will visit at the Sault, Bay View and Petoskey.

## OPEN EVENINGS

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# Give Your Dollars Bigger Chance

More value now than ever before in Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes. 25 per cent off on all Spring and summer suits. Our stock is always larger than our needs; that's to give you a wider range of selection.

Because we want to get ready to start even next fall, we'll make these liberal price concessions to you if you'll take away these good things that are left—every garment new this Spring. We have priced the cheaper suits as follows:

1 Lot Norfolds and fancy suits for young men, \$15.00 values	\$7.69
Men's fancy worsted suits \$12.00 and 13.50 values	\$8.48
Men's and Young Men's fancy worsted and cassimere suits \$15.00 to 16.50 values	\$10.48

Boy's Knickerbocker suits 2.50 val.	\$1.98
Boys' Knickerbocker suits 3.50 val.	2.79
Boys' Knickerbocker suits 5.00 val.	3.98
Boys' Knickerbocker suits 6.00 val.	4.48
Boys' Knickerbocker suits 7.50 val.	6.48
25 per cent reduction on all fine trousers	

Any Straw Hat in the Store for 79c

ALMA. J. COHEN & BRO. MICH.

## West Arcada News

Ed. Winslow, has moved in with Ida Medler.

Mrs. John Wolf spent Sunday with Ely and his wife.

Misses Donna and Elvira Durpee of Hastings are visiting at the Allis home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Oseth of Belding spent over Sunday with his sister, Sunday afternoon, accompanied by Mrs. Allis, they returned to St. Louis and called on the Salsburys, who were burned out recently.

Rodney Burgess is taking a weeks vacation from Rhodes Drug Store.

AUTOMOBILE SMASHED BUGGY

When returning to their home in Pompeii Thursday evening about nine o'clock from the farm home of W. S. Tracey, where they had spent the day, Clyde Patterson, wife and two little girls were thrown out of the buggy when George Jessup, who had been to Ithaca, came up behind them without having the lamps lit on his automobile, and ran into them at quite a high speed. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson were thrown over the dashboard, and although the team was frightened, he held them, and Mrs. Patterson clung to one of the hind legs of one horse and drew herself up and out to one side, and looked for the children. The baby, lone, aged one year was found directly in front of the auto wheel, and the other little girl, Alma, aged 3, was thrown to one side. Both children were unhurt, but Mr. Patterson was badly bruised, his neck wrenched; Mr. Jessup took the family home and Dr. Hall was called to attend Mrs. Patterson, but although her back was badly wrenched and she was suffering from

the fright, it was found upon examination that no bones were broken. She was confined to the bed until Sunday, when she was able to sit in a chair for a short time. She is ill with nervous shock.

Mr. Jessup assisted in getting the team which had later broken loose from the buggy, took the vehicle to the blacksmith's shop and ordered it repaired at his expense, and volunteered to get a housemaid to do the work until Mrs. Patterson is able to look after it.

## CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY CLERK

I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination to the office of County Clerk of Gratiot County on the Republican ticket. Your support will be appreciated.

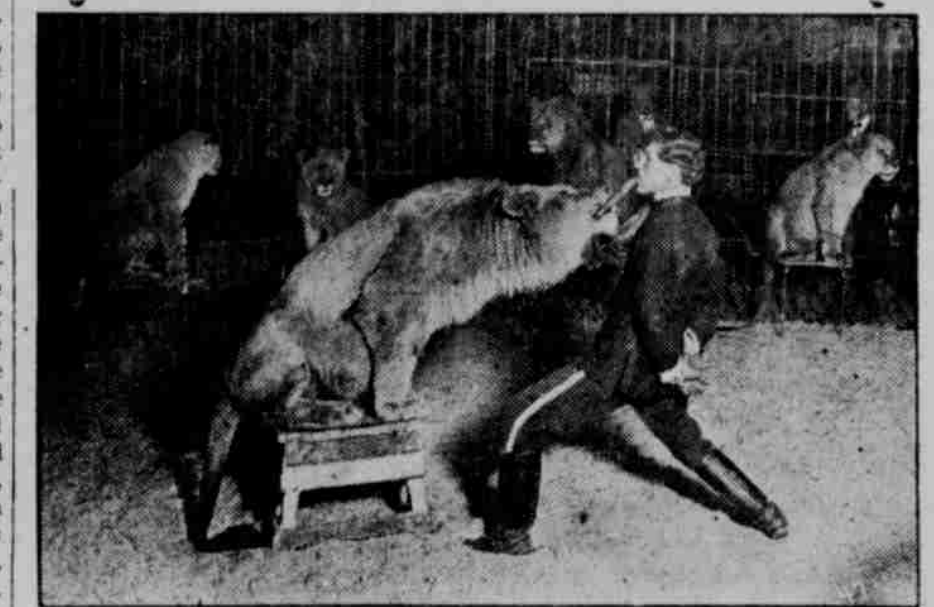
JAMES L. KRESS,  
Alma, Mich.

## FOR COUNTY TREASURER



I desire to announce to the citizens of Alma and vicinity that I will be a candidate for the office of County Treasurer on the Republican ticket. I will surely appreciate your support before the primary and your vote on primary election day Tuesday, Aug. 25.

A. F. RYDER.



Herr. Louie Roth, who performs 24 African lions in one act, with Barnes circus which exhibits here Friday, July 24

# FURNITURE

## New Arrivals Every Day at Crandell & Scott's

Space will not permit us to illustrate the big values that await you here. Come in and see for yourself. You will enjoy the display of new goods which we are now receiving daily from the furniture markets.

## OUR NEW FALL STOCK OF RUGS

is ready for your inspection, and includes all makes, all sizes and designs. In fact we pride ourselves on having the largest line of rugs and floor coverings to be found in Gratiot county.

Our store is cool these warm days and we extend to you and your friends a cordial invitation to make it your headquarters when down town.

Picture Framing to your order. Scores of styles to select from.

# Crandell & Scott

Furniture

Undertaking

# Embroideries Slaughtered

We are overstocked and are bound to clean up our stock and have priced this merchandise so cheap it must sell.

## Just Read the Prices Below

All 5c Embroideries go at	3½c yard
All 10c Embroideries go at	7½c yard
All 15c Embroideries go at	10c yard
All 25c Embroideries go at	16½c yard
All 50c Embroideries go at	30c yard
All 65c Embroideries go at	43c yard
42 in. Embroidery priced as low as	30c yard

You wont believe until you see the tremendous bargains we are giving. COME IN.

# Cushing & Benedict

ALMA,

"Where you do the best."

MICH.